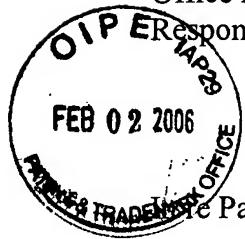


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In response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed September 30, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following election and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that appear at pages 2-14.

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